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**STATUS REQUEST**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests an update as to the status of the above-identified pending application. According to our records, no action on the merits has been issued.

Please promptly direct a response to this request to the undersigned, either by telephone, facsimile, or mail, at your earliest convenience.

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